

MALACHI HOGAN ON COMING BATTLES

Abe Attell Most-Talked-of Boxer of the Present Day.

WILL GO AFTER BRITISH CHAMPION'S LAURELS

Picks Battling Nelson to Win Over the Fast-Fighting Mexican.

Abe Attell has made himself much the most-talked-of boxer of the day through his two engagements, one in California and the other in England, with a scant three weeks intervening between them. Both should be good bouts. Probably the meeting with Nell in Los Angeles will result in an interesting contest as the Bowker battle, but for several reasons the sporting public will look with the greatest interest to the foreign engagement.

There also is something spectacular in a boxer hustling himself half way around the world to keep two engagements. That he should consent to make two such important matches so close together indicates the great confidence he has in himself, and in the opinion of critics generally this confidence is not misplaced. In case Abe is not defeated by Nell, the eyes of the whole sporting world will be turned on the English arena, where he will be one of the participants in the first international bout that has taken place since Nell lost to Bowker, almost two years ago.

Attell Going Across. It is generally believed in this country, I think, that Attell will retrieve the reputation American talent lost with the Nell defeat. It is true that Jim Nell, Frankie's father, came back with a long tale of ill-usage at the hands of the British club; but this did not help matters any, as American sportsmen do not take kindly to a "roar," even conceding that Nell did get the worst of it.

Possibly Attell is not any better boxer than Nell is. It may be that he is not as good. The question will have to be settled at the coming Los Angeles meeting. But Attell is expected to defeat Bowker because his style of boxing conforms to the English rules more nearly than Nell's did. Frankie's strong point is in fighting a style which the Britishers do not take to, and, for that matter, do not allow. Attell boxes along the English style, so that he will be perfectly at home under the foreign rules.

May Bring Back Honors. His footwork is wonderful and he is clever with his hands. He is always jumping in and out and there has never been a man in his class clever enough to get to him with anything like an effective blow. On the other hand, he does not possess enough of a punch to do much damage, and contents himself with winning on points, which is probably the most interesting style after all. When Nell found that he was not permitted to get inside Bowker's guard, he was bewildered. Attell will not have such an experience, and expects by his speed to completely smother his opponent.

Abe will not have much time to train in London. Hastening there as fast as he can after the Los Angeles battle, he will have a scant week to get himself into shape. It is true that he can do some training on the boat going over, but this will not be satisfactory. He will not be very far out of condition, however, and if Nell is not too rough with him, should be in excellent shape.

I believe the general opinion is that Attell will get the decision over Nell at Los Angeles. Close observers of the game who have seen both boys work are practically agreed that Frankie will have a hard time getting to a vital spot on Abe's anatomy, and, unless he can deal one effective blow, has not much chance. Attell is the cleverer of the two by long odds, and, although there is not much chance of his knocking his opponent out, he should be vastly superior to him on points.

Opinion of Nelson Battle. Of the other Los Angeles bouts there is not as much talk at present as might be expected. They are a month away, and may be further away, and the public is most interested in the work the principals are doing to get themselves into shape. Kid Herman left last week to get into condition for the Britt battle, and Nelson and Herrera are at work preparing for their go.

There are many who concede the Mexican a chance to defeat the Dane, but I cannot see it that way. We are practically certain that Nelson has not gone back any and Herrera certainly has not improved. His methods of living do not produce improved physical condition. In view of the fact, then, that Nelson defeated Herrera in their previous engagement, I am of the opinion that he can do it again.

It is figured by some that there is a chance, and by a few more than an outside chance, for the Mexican to whip over the finishing vapor. I do not believe that one of these punches, or even two of them, will settle Nelson, who is at present the champion punch-taker of the world—a small edition of Jim Jeffries, in fact—and will be for some time to come.

It must not be forgotten that Nelson himself has a punch, and, as he will be able to go a longer route than the Mexican, he eventually should have the latter at his mercy. I would not say that Herrera has not a chance, but I do not believe that he has much of a chance. From all reports, Nelson is behaving himself, and, if this has been the case, he should be in as good condition as he ever was in his life. Of course, he has been eating daintier food, and probably has abandoned the coarse fare that gave him his rugged constitution, but this will not bring him down for a long time yet.

Herman-Britt Go a Puzzle. The Herman-Britt battle is more or less of a puzzle. Most of the people with whom I have talked about it, pick Britt, and I am inclined to favor his chances myself. As it looks at this distance, I believe that Herman's chances lie in mixing it from the start. Herman is not a hard hitter, conceding that he hits harder than Britt does, and in the matter of cleverness the Californian has the shade. It should be a rattling good bout, but there is a big chance of Herman's many friends in Chicago hearing some bad news from the ringside.

Joe Gans, although he is waiting in vain for an opponent, has concluded not to accept Herman's challenge, and the refusal is taken to mean that he cannot make the stipulated weight—133 pounds at the ringside. There does not seem to be much reason why Gans should not have accepted this challenge, unless it is that he cannot make the weight. If that is the case, the correct one, he will have to box in the welter-weight class from now on.

Lawn Tennis Annual Out. Spaulding's Lawn Tennis Annual for 1906 has just been published in Spaulding's Athletic Library. It is edited by Harry P. Burchell of New York and contains a very complete account of the state of the game in the United States. Among the more important subjects in the book are the following: A review of the national championship tournament of 1905, a full account of the international tournament in England for the Davis cup, report of the annual meeting of the U. S. N. T. A. officers, the association, official ranking of first ten players since 1885 and American champions since 1881.

The chapter on sectional championships includes an account of the tournaments and scores in the Eastern Doubles Championship, Longmont Southern, Southern Atlantic States tournament, Southern championship, New England championship, Middle States championship, and Pacific coast championship.

"Tennis in the Middle West" has been written by "Line Smash," a well-known Chicago authority. Included in the same chapter are the official ranking for 1905, officers of the Western Lawn Tennis association, list of clubs, members, and accounts of the Western Tennis championship, Middle West Tennis championship, Northwestern Tennis championship, and Missouri Valley Tennis tournament.

Championships and a list of winners from all over the world are given; also the laws of lawn tennis, instructions for handicapping, decisions on doubtful points, how to conduct a tournament, how to build and keep a court, form another interesting series of chapters.

The illustrations are an attractive feature of the Annual and comprise pictures of leading players from all sections of the country.

Jack Root Likes Nelson. Tribune Special Sporting Service. LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 21.—Jack Root is in trying to get on with some of the heavy-weights now in the ring. He speaks highly of Battling Nelson's chances with the Mexican, Herrera.

Root, who moves Australia, of both fighters, and who has seen both men in the ring, declares that despite the fact that Herrera has a mighty right wallop he will meet defeat in his fight on May 11.

"It is wonderful to note how Nelson has improved since he looked to me after the Britt fight," he said. "When I saw him the best possible shape. Today he appears an improved boy, and I can see no reason why he should not win."



Snapshot of Jackson, star twirler of Yale, who did his best to defend his college against the Giants.

MRS. JEFFRIES OBJECTS TO HUSBAND'S FIGHTING

Champion Will Probably Never Enter Roped Arena Again.

Tribune Special Sporting Service. LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 21.—The principal reason why James J. Jeffries probably never will re-enter the fistie arena is that his wife objects. Harry Gardner said this week: "Mrs. Jeffries is completely fixed in her own right and thinks that even if the big fellow had nothing she has enough for both. She is very wrong in the feeling that she would rather Jeff did without the money and stayed at home with her, or to put it exactly the way she feels about it, she would prefer to have Jeff broke and at home than to have him get hold of a bunch of money and get out into the world."

She Wants Him to Go "Broke." And then there is another reason for not wanting to fight. All those who take an interest in things pertaining to sport are familiar with the story of Jeff's big losses at gambling when he went to Reno last summer to referee the Hart-Reno battle. It was reported at the time that Jeff left markers amounting to over \$600 with the Reno gamblers. His refusal to let him go against a brace game and would never consent for him to settle. One of the excuses she now offers and presses upon her husband is that should he fight again his share of the purse would be attached to satisfy the claim of the men to whom he lost his money.

She Will Not Consent. A number of friends of Jeff have tried in the past to have him settle, impressing upon him the fact that he has always been known as the Dock company, and has won a lot of money for himself, various different games of chance. Others have told him that he was skinned

and have advised him to keep his money. "At any rate," Mrs. Jeffries insists that he shall not fight and then have his money attached to satisfy the old gambling debt."

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Famous Corinthians to Invade Poor Old Yankee Doodle Land.

Tribune Special Sporting Service. MONTREAL, April 21.—It is regarded as almost a certainty that the famous Corinthian association football team will make a tour of Canada during August and September. According to present plans the Corinthians will sail from Liverpool on August 2 and should reach Quebec about August 9.

This organization is one of the most expert in England, and the prospect of their tour has aroused great enthusiasm among followers of the game in Canada.

In addition to playing in the principal Canadian cities the Englishmen will visit New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis and other American cities.

The provisional schedule of the Corinthian teams' games is as follows: Leave Liverpool August 2 arrive Quebec August 9. Play at Quebec, Friday, August 10; at Montreal, Saturday, August 11; at Ottawa, Wednesday, August 15; at Port Arthur, Friday, August 17; at Winnipeg, Saturday, August 19; at Brandon, Monday, August 20; at Winnipeg, Wednesday, August 22; at Chicago, Wednesday, August 23; at Chicago, Saturday, September 1; at Detroit, Monday, September 3; at London and Seaford, Wednesday, September 5; at Galt, Saturday, September 8; at Hamilton, Monday, September 10; at Toronto, Wednesday, September 12; at New York, Saturday, September 15; at Philadelphia, Thursday, September 20; at Philadelphia, Saturday, September 22.

Mr. F. Calder of the Montreal F. A. and Dr. J. A. Lester, of the Philadelphia F. A., are attending to their respective sections of the tour.

SHOCKING TIMES AT DEAR OLD CAMBRIDGE

"What Are Those Dear Boys Coming To?" Say Overseers.

Tribune Special Sporting Service. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 21.—The Harvard board of overseers has checked the growing hopes of the Cambridge student body that football would be played at Harvard next fall, by disapproving the recent action of the athletic committee authorizing the continuance of the game under the new rules adopted by the National Football Rules committee. So once more the question of Harvard's course is open.

The overseers did not specifically veto the authorization of the game nor express an adverse opinion on the new rules, but called the attention of the athletic committee to its failure to comply with the board's previous request that it report what changes were proposed in the game, pending the receipt of what report the game should be suspended. Just what the significance of the overseers' action is, beyond the fact that it is a rebuke to the precipitate action of the athletic committee, is not known even to Harvard men.

Why Not Play Skittles? The board of overseers took action against football after having received from a sub-committee on physical training and athletic sports a drastic condemnation of the modern game. The chief allegation of the sub-committee was that football was brutal. The overseers voted that this report be returned to the sub-committee and that this committee confer with the Harvard athletic committee, call the attention of the athletic committee to the request for information originally made by the overseers, and then report back to the overseers at an early date.

It is understood that at this conference the overseers' committee and the athletic committee will discuss the new rules in detail and that the sub-committee will then make some recommendation to the full board of overseers. If this report is favorable, it is regarded as likely that football will be played at Harvard this year, as usual, under the reformed rules.

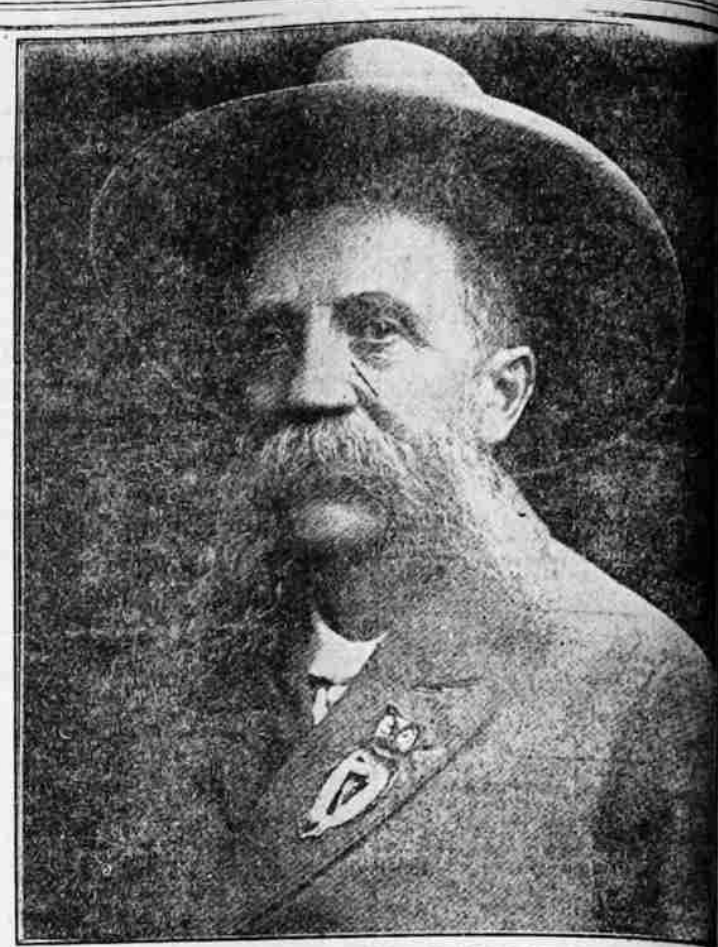
The situation at Cambridge has been very much involved since the agitation against the game started. In the athletic committee is vested the authority to authorize or prohibit the game specifically. This it has never done. Both the faculty and the overseers voted that it was their sense that the game should be suspended until such changes were adopted as would eradicate the objectionable features of the sport, and until these changes were satisfactorily demonstrated. The overseers requested the athletic committee to report such changes to it, which the committee failed to do. It is this failure that is rebuked.

Start an Old Ladies' Home. The general situation with respect to the game is unaffected by the rebuke. The athletic committee's authorization to play was voted operative only in the event of the approval of the overseers and corporation. Until the approval is secured the game is not officially authorized. Neither has it been specifically prohibited. The athletic committee has power to authorize play in spite of the overseers, if it sees fit, in which event the action can only be overruled by the overseers and the corporation acting jointly, since the two bodies delegated to the committee the government of athletics. That the athletic committee would take such action in the face of the overseers' disapproval is considered unlikely, but the possibility remains.

The belief is expressed by some that the action of the overseers is not so much due to opposition to the continuance of the game under the generally approved new rules as it is to the fact that its wishes were apparently ignored. These say that the athletic committee blundered, and, while it probably did not jeopardize the game, it certainly delayed the favorable action which was likely. Further developments in the situation are awaited with the keenest concern.

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LAWN TENNIS TEAM FOR INTERNATIONAL MATCH

Americans Will Meet Foreign Experts in London First of June.

Tribune Special Sporting Service. NEW YORK, April 21.—America's international lawn tennis team, which will be composed of Beals C. Wright, Holcombe Ward, Kreigh Collins and

Raymond D. Little, will meet the players of France on June 1 at Liverpool. In the event of winning they will then journey to Newport, Monmouth, where they will meet the winners of the Australian-Austrian preliminary matches, the dates being June 7, 8 and 9. This will be the hardest competition for the Americans, and upon the result will hang the privilege of challenging the Britons for the cup.

Practically the same team as a year ago will represent Australasia, the men being Brooks and Wilding in the singles and Dunlop paired with Brooks in the doubles. The finals for the cup have been scheduled for the courts of the All-England club at Wimbledon, London, June 15, 16 and 18.

Both Wright and Ward were on last year's American team, and had previous experience abroad. Together they hold the American doubles cham-

pionship, while Wright, the Bostonian, is the present holder of the single title. In the playing of the international a year ago Wright, unfortunately, was overlooked, and as he afterward demonstrated, he was easily the top man of the string in the singles, a match which might have changed the final result of the cup matches against H. L. Doherty and Frank L. Riley had he been put in, for the competitions were very close.

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